

THINGS might be worse. Supposing we all had to read all the Presidents' Messages!

THERE was no "frenzied finance" in Mrs. Chadwick's operations. Only the bankers and bald-headed millionaires seem to have been "frenzied."

NEXT Wednesday will be a great day in Jefferson City for the Republicans. It will be correspondingly blue and dismal for the Democrats. But never mind, boys, it's only temporary. Truth crushed to the earth will rise again.

LET us hope that the new year will not yield a harvest of blood like that staining the records of its predecessor. Yet what else can be expected so long as nations have hired retinues of trained men-of-war, making the arts of peace to serve the preparations for bloodshed?

Says Lawson unto Green quite frank,  
"In my opinion, you're a thief!"  
Says Green to him, "That you're a crank  
Malicious, is my firm belief,  
And mind me now, if you do not  
Quit 'frenzied' writing you'll get shot,  
Or come to other serious grief  
When next your phiz I see!"  
Well, 'tother day right face to face they met  
But, sooth to say, they both are living yet  
In frenzied unity!

MADISON and St. Francois counties, east of us, were wild for Folk in the nomination contest, and then in November for the first time judiciously in their history gave Republican majorities. Reynolds of Lyon, west of us, also loud for Folk, gave the least Democratic a late in years. Iron county sic, as so loud for Folk but it did the right thing in November.

Countess W. FOLK, the only Democratic candidate for Governor in Missouri in the last thirty years, has enjoyed the distinction of leading the party to defeat, will be inaugurated next Wednesday. But there is satisfaction in the knowledge that Joe will never lead the Democratic hosts again—neither to victory nor defeat. When he is through with the Governor's office he will be through forever.

HON. SAM. B. COOK writes the REGISTER that after his retirement as Secretary of State he will become connected with the Central Trust Company of Jefferson City. Country editors as a rule do not have much business with the big trust companies, but Mr. Cook may rest assured that if we are ever where we can control any such patronage, we will sure take pleasure in rolling it to "his shop." May every success and happiness attend him!

J. J. WILLIAMS of Jefferson county, who will be our circuit judge after the first of the year, is the first Republican judge in this circuit since James H. Vail, who was defeated in 1898 by Judge Dinning. Vail, after the Republican custom of those times, held on to the office after he had been beaten at the polls but was finally ousted. We would still have a Democratic judge in this circuit if Reynolds county had been more loyal to Democracy and not so wild about Folk.

THE Legislature meets next Wednesday, and the new State officers will be inaugurated. In the past thirty years Missouri has been the best governed State in the West, if not in the whole nation. Every citizen has reason to be proud of the condition of affairs. Let us see what kind of stewards the Republicans will prove. If they keep things up to their present most excellent standard, they will have to pursue a distinctly different policy from what they did the last time they were in control of the State's affairs.

I AM surprised to hear Bro. McGuire assert that the Folk promoters did not attack Governor Dockery's administration, and that "the machine"—meaning thereby the Governor and other State officials, I presume—began the trouble by fighting the circuit attorney. Exactly the contrary is true, and I defy Mr. McGuire, or any one for him, to show where the State officials, or any one of them, took part in the contest until after Mr. Folk and his promoters had attacked not only the honesty of the present Democratic State administration, but, by inference, at least, those of the past twelve years. That had to be done, else where the logic of the whole Folk campaign? The truth herein seems so plain that it is amazing to me the men attempt to hide it.

THE Republicans are fighting hard over the U. S. Senatorship from Missouri. As one Richard Kerens has the biggest "bar" we predict he will be the successful candidate. In the thirty years that the Democrats controlled the Missouri Legislature and elected Senators there never was the breath of suspicion attached to any candidate. Now it is generally accepted that the man who can produce the most "yellow stuff" will be successful in the Senatorial race. No; our Republican friends do not believe in boodling—that is, when some Democrat gets the boodle.

THE Democrats in Dunklin county, who brother Caruthers says did not vote in the late election because they were satisfied with the price of cotton, will learn some day, perhaps, that the dollar is not the only thing to be considered in this world. For instance, how would these Dunklin Democrats like to march to the polls with a file of negro soldiers on either side of them? Stranger things have happened; and if the Rooseveltian idea obtains in all things there is no telling what we may expect in four years. By the way, Bro. Caruthers, what do these same fool Democrats, who gave the Republicans credit for the sunshine and the rain, think about present cotton prices?

CENTREVILLE Reformer: "The Fredericktown Tribune says that a lawyer and a statesman has been defeated for Congress in the 14th district by a 'country jake' who went to St. Louis and made a fool of himself by showing that it was his first time to go to town, that he had never seen a street car, an automobile or an elevator. The Tribune has also heard the dreadful news that the new Congressman will likely appoint his wife his secretary. It seems to us that it was some fool talk about a 'country jake' that beat a 'lawyer and a statesman' for President in 1840 and landed a 'country jake' in the President's chair. Idiomatic argument about a 'country jake' has just elected one Governor of Minnesota. We remember back in days gone by when the editor of the Tribune was something of a 'country jake' and we can say truthfully that we have known but few men who ever had the love and affection of the people to a greater degree than did Bro. Bowman, and we expect there are as many things marked up to his credit in the Master's book during those days as there have been since he has seen street cars and automobiles and things. You are not helping your friend Joe much by such articles as this."

FOULISM is a fine thing for Folk, no doubt; but it is a poor substitute for Democracy. How would Butlerism do? By the way, brother, what do you mean by "Folkism"? Did you have it at the head of your columns advocating its ascendancy during the late campaign, as you did Parkerism, another substitute for Democracy?—Jackson Cash Book.

I have no excuse to plead in behalf of my supporting the National other than that applying to the State ticket: both were put forth by the party to which I belong. My brother of the Cash-Book made a distinction between the two, denying the one because it did not suit him, and supporting the other because it did. I have not progressed quite so far as to hold my individual desires above the expressed will of the Democratic party. Whatever contest I have to make for my political belief is within the party, and if my way is not the way of the party I submit to the majority for the present, reserving the right to pick my flint and try it again next year. If my recollection serves me aright, when Dave Hill and the New York delegation sulked in 1896 because they could not have their way, the Cash-Book was not sparing in its denunciation and criticism of them. Then it was proper for them to submit to the will of the majority, just as it was this year for us who in turn suffered defeat at the convention. No Democrat in the Union more deeply regretted the decisions of both the State and National conventions than I; but what was to be done? Abandon the party or sulk in my tent and thus give justification to and warrant for the very thing I denounced four and eight years ago? I know there were thousands of Democrats in those years who stood true to the dictum of the party, though at variance with some enunciations in the platform. I am as good a Democrat as they, Bro. Cash-Book, and the obedience I demand will I in turn render unto them. To do otherwise, when carried to its logical conclusion, means disintegration and annihilation. Viewed from the Jeffersonian standpoint, neither Parkerism nor Folkism was to my taste, and I can't understand how a good Democrat could gag at the one and

swallow the other. Both will long be remembered as having led the party to disaster.

Remarkable value in shoes at wonderfully low prices at Mullin & Brown's.

Nice perfumes, ladies fancy collars, soaps, rings, combs, brushes, etc., at Mullin & Brown's.

#### In Time of Peace.

In the first months of the Russia-Japan war we had a striking example of the necessity for preparation and the early advantage of those who, so to speak, "have shingled their roofs in dry weather." The virtue of preparation has made history and given to us our greatest men. The individual as well as the nation should be prepared for any emergency. Are you prepared to successfully combat the first cold you take? A cold can be cured much more quickly when treated as soon as it has been contracted and before it has become settled in the system. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds and it should be kept at hand ready for instant use. For sale by Arcadia Valley Drug Co.

See the 16x20 carbons at Perkins' for \$1.00. They are not crayons.

Something new. Corno Horse and Mule feed and Creamo Dairy Feed. Feeds that are pure. Try them. For sale at Ironton M'g. Co.'s Mill.

School books and school supplies now on sale at H. Barnhouse's, south of courthouse, Ironton, Mo.

#### Weather Report.

Meteorological report of Voluntary Observer at Ironton, Iron county, Mo., for the week ending Tuesday, December 27, 1904.

Days of Week.	Temperature.		Precipitation.
	Highest.	Lowest.	
Wednesday.....	21	45	21
Thursday.....	22	66	33
Friday.....	23	58	50
Saturday.....	24	58	52
Sunday.....	25	57	37
Monday.....	26	60	45
Tuesday.....	27	24	12

NOTE—The precipitation includes rain, hail, sleet and melted snow and is recorded in inches and hundredths. Ten inches of snow equal one inch of rain. "T" indicates trace of precipitation.

W. H. DELANO, Observer.

#### A Certain Cure for Croup.

When a child shows symptoms of croup there is no time to experiment with new remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended. There is one preparation that can always be depended upon. It has been in use for many years and has never been known to fail, viz: Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Give it and a quick cure is sure to follow. Mr. M. F. Compton of Market, Texas, says of it: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in severe cases of croup with my children, and can truthfully say it always gives prompt relief." For sale by Arcadia Valley Drug Co.

#### NOTICE OF LETTERS.

Notice is hereby given, that Letters of Administration, with Will Annexed, on the estate of Sarah M. Emerson, late of Iron County, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, Wm. R. Edgar, by the Probate Court of the County of Iron, bearing date the 22d day of December, 1904. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within one year after the date of said Letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication, they shall be forever barred.

December, 22, 1904.

WM. R. EDGAR,  
Administrator, with Will Annexed.

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

Notice is hereby given, that Roy S. Parkiss has been appointed Guardian of the person and Curator of the estate of Robert E. Parkiss, an insane person, of Iron county, by the Probate Court of the County of Iron, State of Missouri, bearing date the 16th day of December, 1904. All persons having claims against said insane person are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within one year after the date of said appointment, or they may be precluded from any benefits of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

Ironton, Mo., December 16, 1904.

ROY S. PARKISS,  
Guardian and Curator.

#### NOTICE OF LETTERS.

Notice is hereby given, that Letters Testamentary upon the estate of Michael Shea, late of Iron county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, Executrix, by the Judge of the Probate Court of the county of Iron, bearing date the 21st day of November, 1904. All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within one year after the date of said Letters, or they may be precluded from any benefits of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

Ironton, November 21, 1904.

MARY A. SHEA, Executrix.

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

Notice is hereby given, that G. W. Farrar, Jr., has been appointed Guardian of the person and Curator of the estate of John Dammann, an insane person, of Iron county, by the Probate Court of the County of Iron, State of Missouri, bearing date the 25th day of November, 1904. All persons having claims against said insane person are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within one year after the date of said appointment, or they may be precluded from any benefits of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the time of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

Ironton, Mo., November 25, 1904.

G. W. FARRAR, JR.,  
Guardian and Curator.

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# A Happy New Year

IS OUR GREETING TO ALL.

May Health and Prosperity attend all our Friends and Patrons throughout the coming twelvemonth, and may our efforts toward their advantage and pleasure always be crowned with success, are the sincere wishes of  
Yours, Respectfully,

**Lopez Store Co.**

Beginning with the New Year, we propose to inaugurate a General Clearing Sale, in order to reduce our stock before taking inventory. Full particulars later.